Statement Establishing Unintentional Delay

The original Notification of Missing Requirements for this application, dated March 13, 2006, was responded to on July 6, 2006 with a Reply including a Declaration from deceased inventor Stoyan Bardarov, signed by that inventor's legal heir, a sequence listing, an Information Disclosure Statement, and a composite declaration, where the signature pages for each declaration was appended together. In a Decision dated September 5, 2006, the PTO accepted the Declaration from deceased inventor Stoyan Bardarov, but ordered a Notification of Defective Response for the declarations from the living inventors because the name of Stoyan Bardarov was not present in the Declarations signed by the living inventors and the composite declaration submitted is not acceptable under PTO rules.

The Notification of Defective Response was mailed September 13, 2006. That Notification only pointed to the composite Declaration as the defective aspect of the July 6, 2006 Reply, and did not mention the lack of all inventor's names on the executed Declarations. Applicants' Reply of October 11, 2006 to the Notification of Defective Response dated September 13, 2006 was also defective because, although the Declarations were not filed as a composite, the Declarations accompanying the filed Reply inadvertently did not list all inventors, since they still left out the name of the deceased inventor Stoyan Bardarov.

Applicants now provide herewith Declarations listing all the inventors and signed by all living inventors. As noted above, the Declaration for Stoyan Bardarov signed by that inventor's legal heir has already been accepted by the PTO. Appl. No. 10/542,958 (US Nat'l. 35 U.S.C. 371 Filing of PCT/US2004/001773)

Amended Reply to Notification of Defective Response of September 13, 2006 and Statement Establishing Unintentional Delay

Remarks

It is believed that the enclosed \$750 to cover the small entity petition fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(m) is all that is required with this Reply. However, if there are unanticipated fees required to reinstate and maintain pendency of this application, the USPTO is authorized to withdraw the payment for those fees from Deposit Account 01-1785.

Respectfully submitted

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